

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-22 remain in this application. Claims 1, 9, and 16 have been amended and are presented as indicated below.

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1. A system for remotely accessing a client in a client- server system comprising :

a browser for requesting remote access;

a client machine further comprised of a listening program configured to be responsive to requests for remote access from the browser, establish direct communications therewith, and invoke a client agent for communicating with the browser and a server machine.

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9. A method for remotely accessing a client machine from a browser over a network comprising the steps of:

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providing a universal resource locator containing a machine name and a port number at a command line at the browser;

listening at the port number for access requests at the client machine;

responsive to a request for access from the browser, establishing direct communications therewith;

invoking a client agent within an application programming interface; and

communicating between the client agent and the browser over the network.

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16. A computer-readable medium having a program for servicing a request using a client, the client being capable of communicating with a browser, the client providing a plurality of functions, the program containing instructions for:

providing a client agent containing a client platform and an application programming interface; and

providing a listening program for listening for a communication from the browser, establishing direct communications therewith, and invoking the client agent;

wherein the client agent communicates with both the browser and a server.

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